

When God
Pulls Back
the Curtain



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Divine Service Setting Three with Holy Communion

Stand

O God of God, O Light of Light

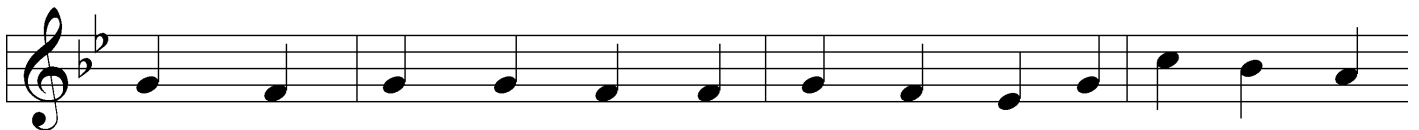
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1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and
2 For deep in proph-ets' sa - cred page, And grand in po - ets'
3 That life of truth, those deeds of love, That death so steeped in
4 Then raise to Christ a might - y song, And shout His name, His



King of kings: To You in heav-en's glo - ry bright The song of
wing-ed word, Slow - ly in type, from age to age The na - tions
hate and scorn— These all are past, and now a - bove He reigns, our
mer-cies tell! Sing, heav'n-ly host, your praise pro-long, And all on



praise for - ev - er rings. To Him who sits up - on the throne,
saw their com - ing Lord; Till through the deep Ju - de - an night
King once crowned with thorn. Lift up your heads, O might - y gates!
earth, your an - them swell! All hail, O Lamb for sin - ners slain!



The Lamb once slain but raised a - gain, Be all the glo - ry
Rang out the song, "Good-will to men!" Sung once by first - born
So sang that host be - yond our ken. Lift up your heads, your
For - ev - er let the song as - cend! Wor - thy the Lamb, en -



He has won, All thanks and praise! A - men, a - men.
sons of light, It ech - oes now, "Good - will!" A - men.
King a - waits. We lift them up. A - men, a - men.
throned to reign, All glo - ry, pow'r! A - men, a - men.

The Lord Absolves Us of Our Sins Invocation

P *In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

C **Amen.**

Exhortation

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P *Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.*

P *Our help is in the name of the Lord,*

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P *I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,*

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

LSB 184

P *O almighty God, merciful Father,*

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I**

pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution

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P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

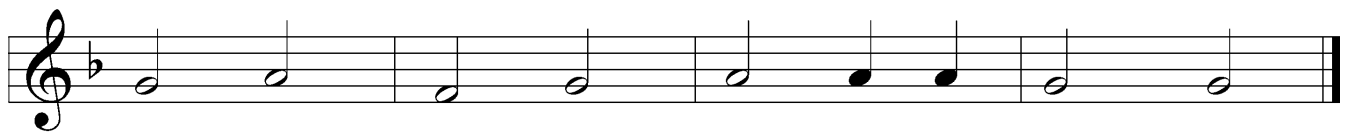
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We Welcome our Victorious Lord

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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



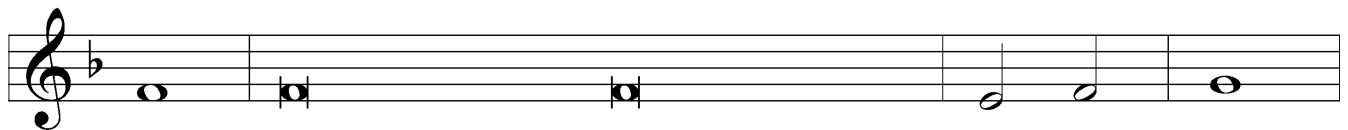
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

We Rejoice in Christ's Victory

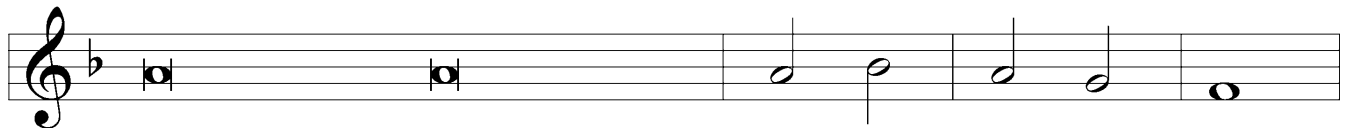
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P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



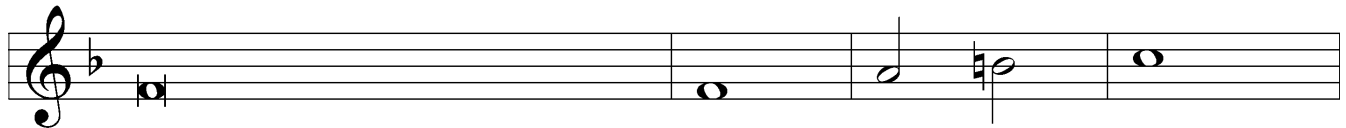
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



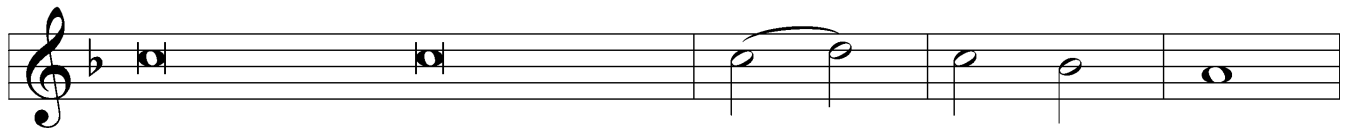
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.




O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



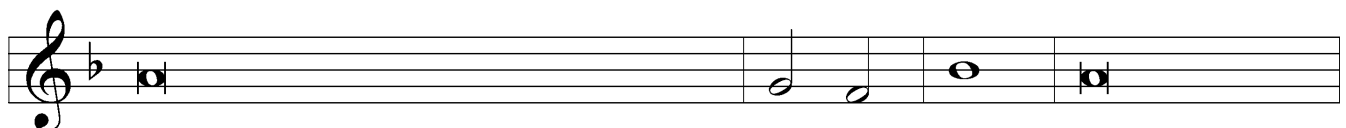
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,




that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



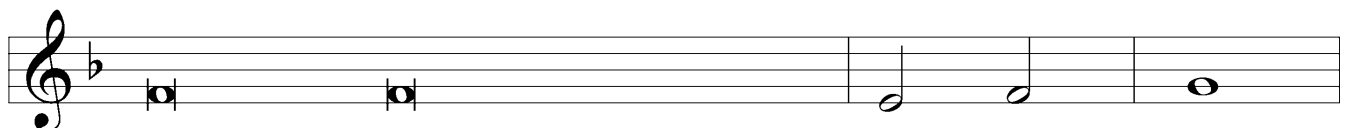
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.




Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

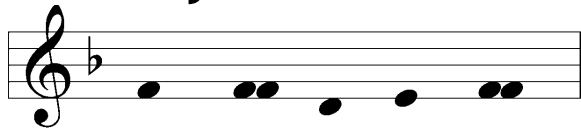


Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

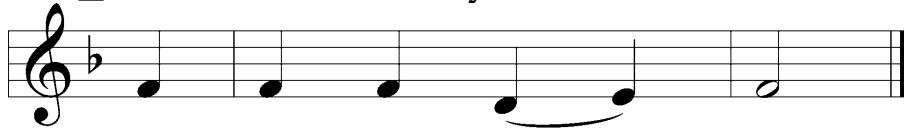


art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

We Pray as the Lord Enables Us



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P *Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.*



C A - men.

Sit

The Lord's Word in the Acts

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was

morning, the first day. ⁶And God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. ⁹And God said, “Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹And God said, “Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth.” And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. ¹⁴And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. ²⁰And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.” ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm,

according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. ²⁴And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²⁶Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” ²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” ²⁹And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. ¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his

work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation. ⁴These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

Reading *(sung by half verse)*

Psalm 8

¹*O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in | all the earth!**

You have set your glory above the | heavens.

²*Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because | of your foes, **

to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

³*When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers, **

the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,

⁴*what is man that you are mind- | ful of him, **

and the son of man that you | care for him?

⁵*Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings**

and crowned him with glory and | honor.

⁶*You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;**

you have put all things under | his feet,

⁷*all sheep and | oxen, **

and also the beasts | of the field,

⁸*the birds of the heavens, and the fish | of the sea, **

whatever passes along the paths | of the seas.

⁹*O | LORD, our Lord, **

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning, *

is now, and will be forever. | Amen

The Lord's Word through the Apostles *Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . . ²²“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, “I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹“Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, “The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.’ ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

P *This is the Word of the Lord.*

C **Thanks be to God.**

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Alleluia

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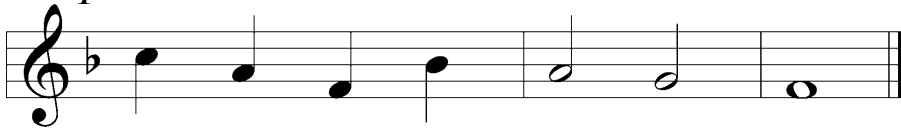


C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

The Lord's Word in the Gospels

Matthew 28:16–20

P *The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.*



C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

P *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Athanasian Creed

LSB 319

P *Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic¹ faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.*

C **And the catholic¹ faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and the Trinity in Unity,**

P *Neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance. For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.*

C **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

P *Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit.*

MEN: THE FATHER UNCREATED, THE SON UNCREATED, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT UNCREATED.

P *The Father infinite, the Son infinite, and the Holy Spirit infinite.*

Women: The Father eternal, the Son eternal, and the Holy Spirit eternal.

P *And yet they are not three Eternals, but one Eternal, just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites but one Uncreated and One Infinite.*

MEN: IN THE SAME WAY, THE FATHER IS ALMIGHTY, THE SON ALMIGHTY, THE HOLY SPIRIT ALMIGHTY.

P *And yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.*

Women: So the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God.

P *And yet there are not three Gods, but one God.*

MEN: SO THE FATHER IS LORD, THE SON IS LORD, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT IS LORD.

P *And yet there are not three Lords but one Lord.*

P *Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct as God and Lord,*

C **So also we are prohibited by the catholic¹ religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.**

P *The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.*
MEN: THE SON IS NEITHER MADE NOR CREATED, BUT BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER ALONE.

Women: The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

P *Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers,*
MEN: ONE SON, NOT THREE SONS,
Women: One Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

P *And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another; but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as is has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and the Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.*

C **Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

P *But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man;*

MEN: HE IS GOD, BEGOTTEN FROM THE SUBSTANCE OF THE FATHER, BEFORE ALL AGES;

Women: and He is man, born from the substance of his mother in this age:

P *Perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul*

and human flesh.

MEN: EQUAL TO THE FATHER WITH RESPECT TO HIS DIVINITY,

Women: less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

[P] *Although He is God and man, He is not two but one Christ:*

MEN: ONE, HOWEVER, NOT BY THE CONVERSION OF THE DIVINITY INTO FLESH BUT BY THE ASSUMPTION OF THE HUMANITY INTO GOD;

Women: One altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by the unity of person.

[P] *For as the rational soul and flesh is one man,*

[C] **So God and man is one Christ.**

[P] *Who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,*

[C] **ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

[P] *At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.*

MEN: AND THOSE WHO HAVE DONE GOOD WILL ENTER INTO ETERNAL LIFE,

Women: And those who have done evil, into eternal fire.

[C] **This is the catholic¹ faith which; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

¹ "Catholic" refers to the concept of universality, not to that particular denomination known as Roman Catholicism.

Sit

Children's Message

Proper

Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,*
and his greatness is un- | searchable.

On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,*
and I will declare your | greatness.

Sermon

When God Pulls Back the Curtain

Stand

We Ask the Lord to Work in Us

LSB 192

□ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first staff begins with a square symbol (□) before the first note. The music ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Sit

Offering

Stand

Prayer of the Church

P *Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.*

Holy, holy, holy, Lord of Sabaoth, we bless Your name. You have called us out of darkness into Your marvelous light. Guard Your Church, purchased with the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Keep her in the true faith, without error, schism or compromise, until that day when You welcome her home as Your spotless bride.

Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Lord, as You have delivered us from the domain of darkness into the kingdom of Your Son, help us to walk in a manner worthy of Him. Bless the floor committees who prepare the work of our Synod convention, that all they decide may be guided by Your Word and undertaken in prayer, and that Your good and gracious will be done among us. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Lord of the Church, bless our pastor as he brings to us Your saving Word and life-giving sacraments. Bless our Fellowship and Hospitality Committee, especially Lori, Sarah, Rachel, Ben, Alison, Carol, Margaret, Katie, Dania, Angie and Marilyn. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Creator God, You ordered this world according to Your good and gracious will, crowning Your creation with man and woman. Give us faith to cherish the holy estate of marriage, its union of husband and wife, Your call to be fruitful, and the promise that You will bless what You have made. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Almighty God, You are over all things. We pray for nations and governments, for leaders and civil servants, and for peace and justice here in our own land and throughout the world. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Loving Lord, You promise to be with Your people always, to the end of the age. Comfort those afflicted in body or mind, soul or spirit especially Bernice, Heather, Larry, Rodney, Rodney, Inez, Jim, Barrie, Norman, Michael, Inge, Floyd, Forest, Noel, Pastor Dan, Michael, Shirley, Danny, and Doug. Give them grace to entrust themselves into Your Son's loving hands and await relief according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Father, in the blessed Sacrament Your Son gives His body as the bread of heaven and His blood as the cup of salvation. Help us to receive this blessed Sacrament with faith and show forth the fruits of the Spirit in lives of faith, repentance and goodness. Lord, in Your mercy,*

C **hear our prayer.**

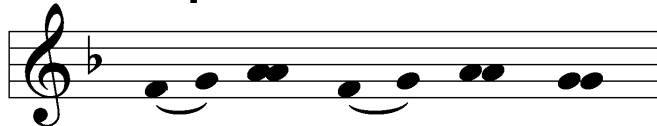
P Lord Most High, in six days You created all that has been made and commanded us to fill the earth and subdue it. Grant us wisdom, that we may govern Your creation as faithful stewards, using the earth's resources in a manner that is pleasing to You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, heavenly Father, You have called Your Church from every tribe and nation. Grant that Your people throughout the world would rejoice in the death and resurrection of Christ and live as those who have died and risen with Him in Holy Baptism; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

We Prepare to Receive Christ's Body and Blood *LSB 194*



P The Lord be with you.



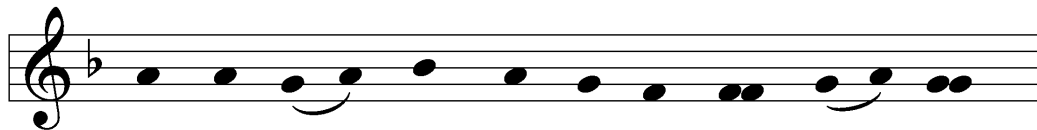
C And with thy spir - it.



P Lift up your hearts.



C We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

P *It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:*

The Song of Angels and Disciples

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



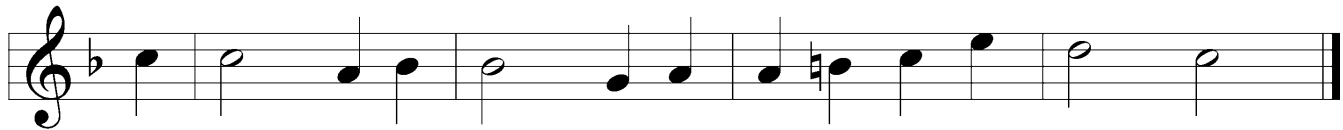
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

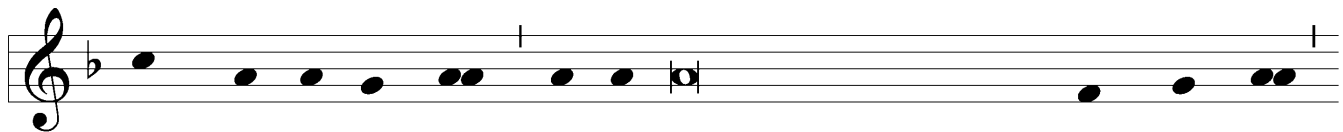
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P *Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:*

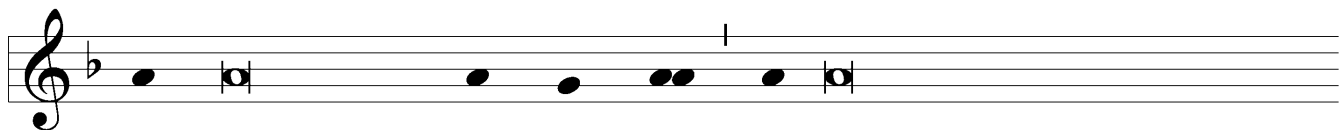
C **Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

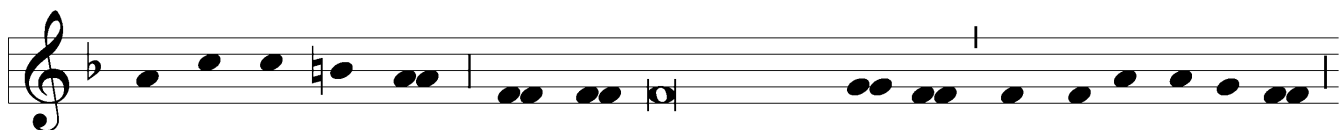
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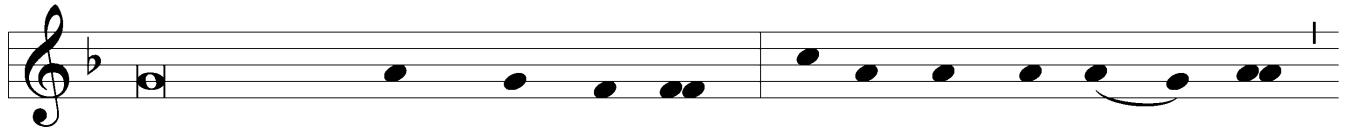
P Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,



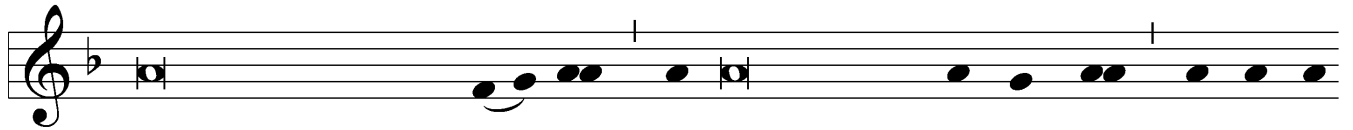
and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the



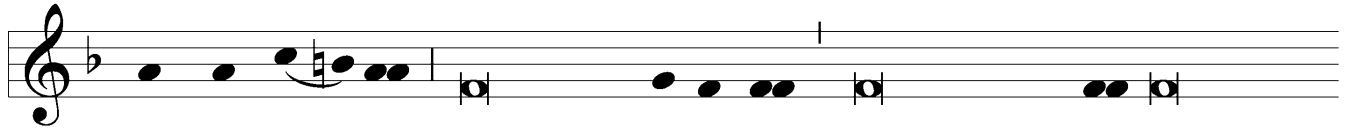
dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \dagger bod - y, which is giv-en for you.



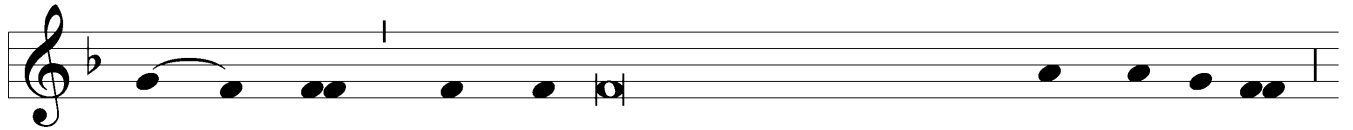
This do in re - mem - brance of Me.” In the same way al - so



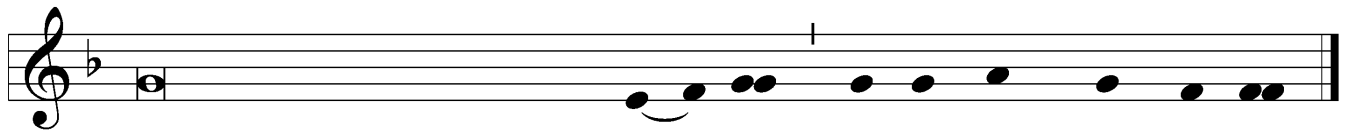
He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv - en thanks, He gave it



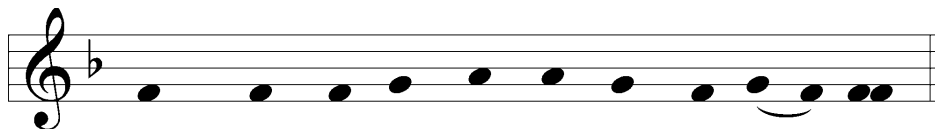
to them, say - ing: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in



My † blood, which is shed for you for the for - give - ness of sins.



This do, as often as you drink it, in re - mem - brance of Me.”



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

The Song of John the Baptist

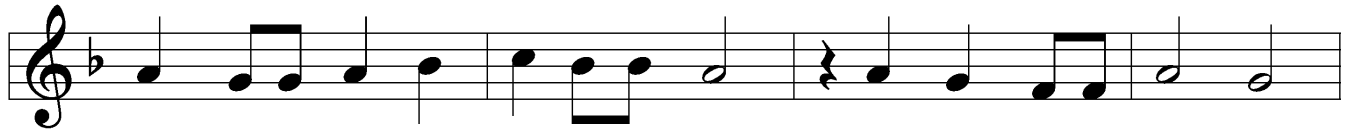
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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



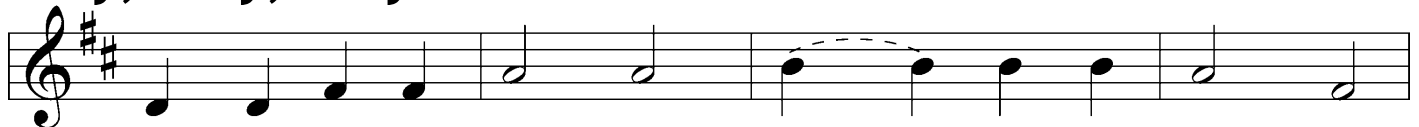
world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

Sit

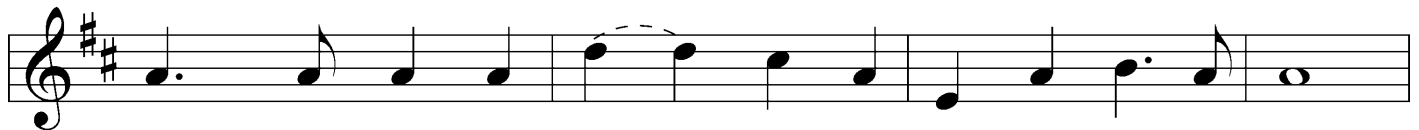
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Holy, Holy, Holy

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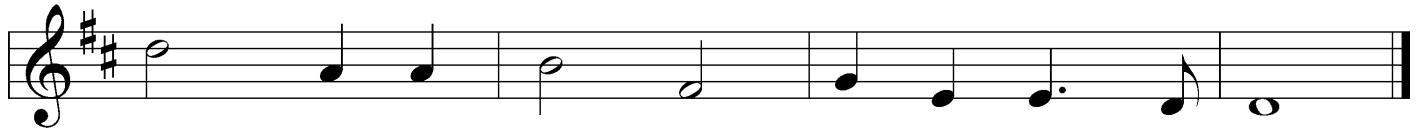
1	Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!	Lord	God Al - might - y!
2	Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!	All	the saints a - dore Thee,
3	Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!	Though	the dark - ness hide Thee,
4	Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!	Lord	God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,	mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim	fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
On - ly Thou art ho - ly;	there is none be - side Thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,	mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Which wert and art and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

LSB 940



1 Ho - ly God, we praise Thy name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the a - pos - tles' ho - ly train Join Thy sa - cred
 4 Thou art King of Glo - ry, Christ; Son of God, yet
 Δ 5 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore Thee. All on earth Thy scep - ter claim,
 above are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 born of Mar - y. For us sin - ners sac - ri - ficed,
 three we name Thee; Though in es - sence on - ly one,



All in heav'n a - bove a - dore Thee. In - fi - nite Thy
 In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, Fill the heav'ns with
 And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low, And from morn to
 As to death a Trib - u - tar - y, First to break the
 Un - di - vid - ed God we claim Thee And, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Thy reign.
 sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 set of sun Through the Church the song goes on.
 bars of death, Thou hast o - pened heav'n to faith.
 bend the knee While we own the mys - ter - y.

Father Most Holy

LSB 504



1 Fa - ther most ho - ly, mer - ci - ful, and ten - der; Je - sus, our
2 Trin - i - ty bless - ed, u - ni - ty un - shak - en, Good - ness un -
3 Mak - er of all things, all Thy crea - tures praise Thee; All for Thy
△ 4 Lord God Al - might - y, un - to Thee be glo - ry, One in three



Sav - ior, with the Fa - ther reign - ing; Spir - it of com - fort,
bound - ed, ver - y God of heav - en, Light of the an - gels,
wor - ship were and are cre - at - ed; Now, as we al - so
per - sons, o - ver all ex - alt - ed! Glo - ry we of - fer,



ad - vo - cate, de - fend - er, Light nev - er wan - ing;
joy of those for - sak - en, Hope of all liv - ing,
wor - ship Thee de - vout - ly, Hear Thou our voic - es.
praise Thee and a - dore Thee, Now and for - ev - er.

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

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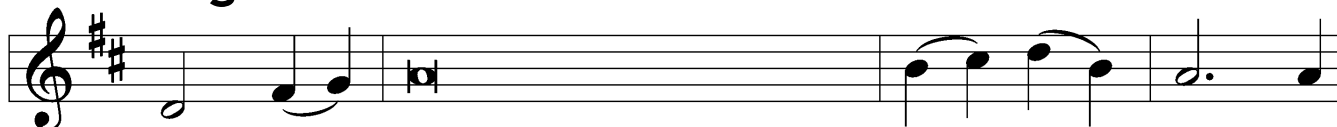
P *The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.*

C Amen.

Stand

The Song of Simeon

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C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -

cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,

which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

B and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

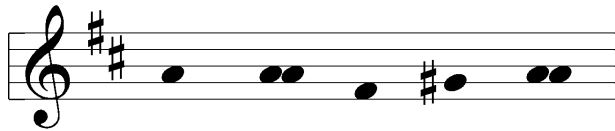
P *Let us pray.*

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy

You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



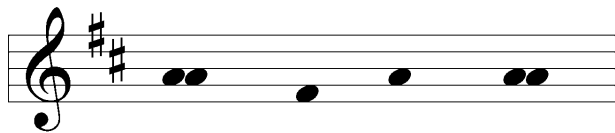
C A - men.



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.



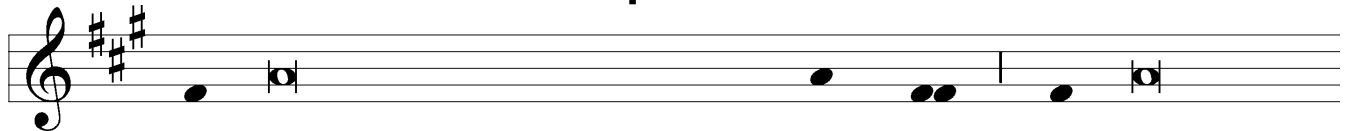
A Bless we the Lord.



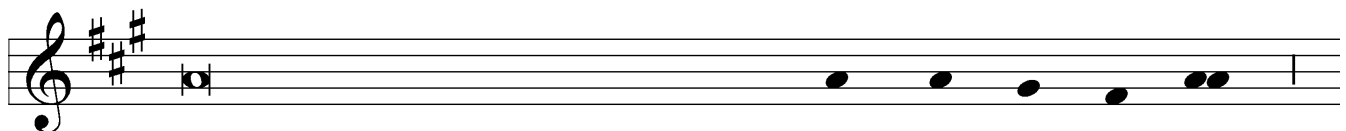
C Thanks be to God.

The Lord Blesses His People

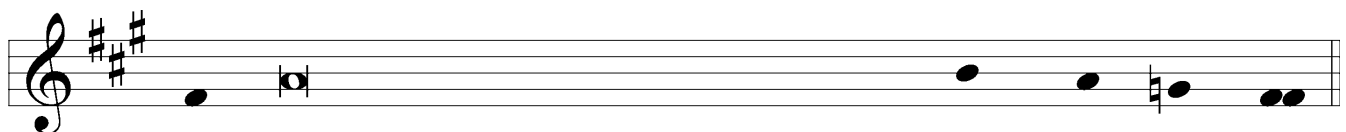
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P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

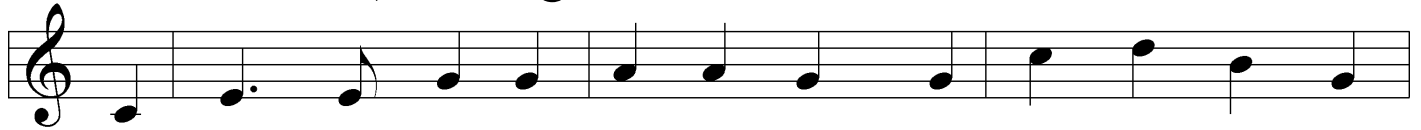


☐ A-men, a-men, a - men.

Announcements

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

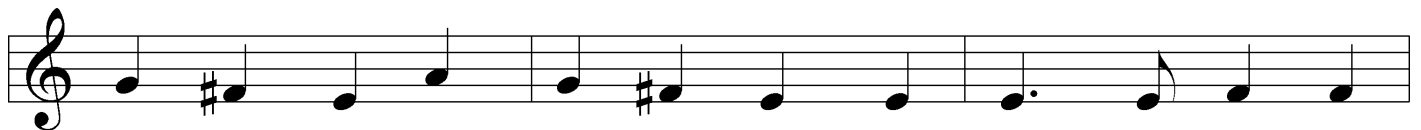
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1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic
3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -
fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save
dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy
all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy
tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.
watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.
rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion – All baptized and confirmed members of St. John's are invited to receive Christ's true body and blood, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins. If you are a guest, or want to be rooted in Jesus with us, Pastor Charles would love to talk with you about our congregation and what it means to commune here.

St. John's is a member congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (lcms.org). We're in communion with the congregations of the Lutheran Church – Canada (lutheranchurchcanada.ca) and many other Lutheran churches around the world (ilcouncil.org).

SERVING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE TODAY

ELDERS: Eric Zadow/Karl Hammel

ACOLYTE & CROSS BEARER: Avery Timm

PSALM CANTOR: Esther & Margaret Zadow

COMMUNION: Nathanael Alles/Matt Klein

SOUND: Richard Kramer

SCREENS: Lauren Biggs

ELEVATOR: Idalee Shalla

ORGANIST: Fred Zadow

LIVE STREAM: Richard Kramer/Karen, Rachel & Ashlyn Craig

COMMUNION SET-UP: Angie Anderson

ALTAR GUILD: Linda Bramburger, Darlene Couette, Marilyn Hampel

OUR LIFE TOGETHER THIS WEEK

TODAY (May 31)

- 9:00 AM Sunday School (last day)
- 9:00 AM Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Divine Worship/Holy Communion
- 11:30 AM Sunday School Picnic

MONDAY (June 1)

- 8:00 AM VBS Sign-up Begins
- 6:00 PM Embers

TUESDAY (June 2)

- 7:30 PM AA

WEDNESDAY (June 3)

- 9:30 AM Quilters
- 5:00 PM Worship Service
- 6:30 PM Bible Study

SATURDAY (June 6)

- 11:00 AM Jim Mau Committal

NEXT SUNDAY (June 7)

- 9:00 AM Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Divine Worship/Holy Communion
- 11:30 AM Fellowship/Tea & Coffee
- 11:30 AM Congregation Meeting

NEWS & NOTES

WE PRAY FOR the family of Orval Schultz who passed away on Tuesday, May 26th. Orval's funeral will be held here at St. John's, Monday, June 8th at 11:00am. May God comfort all who mourn.

A BIG THANK YOU to the youth who helped with our yardwork on May 17th. You all worked so hard helping us. We ended up with

20 bags of leaves and two lovely clean flowerbeds! We appreciated your help so very much. You did for us what we found too hard to do ourselves! And, most importantly, we totally enjoyed your visit and the fellowship time we had with you! That was the best!!! ~ *Jake, Debbie & Gunner*

WE THANK Fred Zadow for filling in for Debbie as organist while she is away.

CHURCH PICNIC Please join us at the Alice & Fraser Rec Centre for our Church Picnic after the service today. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Chicken will be served.

CONGREGATION MEETING Our next Congregation Meeting will be held after the service next Sunday, June 7th.

SEENAGERS Next meeting is Thursday, June 11th at 2:00PM. Enjoy fun musical entertainment by The Intermittents. A potluck supper (cold foods such as cold meats, salads, desserts) will be held at 4:30PM. All Seniors are welcome. Note: There will be no meeting in July or August.

HOSPITALITY We still have more dates that we need covered for hospitality this year...June 21, July 19, August 23, and September 13. If you would like to help out, please contact Susan.

LIFE QUOTE FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE "If we want to save more Trinitarian-valued lives, then we need to knock a Humpty Dumpty way of thinking about words off the wall. We need to speak of the reality behind the word 'abortion' and use such a time as this to speak of the reality behind the Word made flesh to dwell among us and in us and for us. You have been called for such a time as this." ~*Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb, former Executive Director of Lutherans For Life*

PLEASE PRAY FOR - OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Heather Wilson; Larry Markus; Rodney Risto; Rodney Hoffman; Inez Leroux; Jim Karau; Barrie Hartwick; Norman Wodtke; Michael Hodgins; Inge Reckzin.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Floyd Scott; Forest Kiteley, Noel Dupuis; Pastor Dan Kletke; Michael Duquette; Shirley Duquette; Danny Carnwright; Doug Sell.